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- member of BRAC

- fled Cuba 1 Jan 1959

~~late Sept 1959~~ 2 Oct 1959 - received orders from Batista by Jose Suarez Nunez to immediately attempt to consolidate whatever anti-Castro forces he is able for a move against Castro with a particular cited condition,

6- Miranda Fernandez -

8 March 1961

Admitted in 1959 & 1960 had furnished aid directly to Rolando Masferrer. Now providing aid & assistance to his former military regiment who are still in Cuba working against Castro. He thinks group is associated @ FRD.

X 7- ~~Dispatch to Chief, FDR From C/S [redacted]~~ 12-12

Cable to Director From [MASH] MASH 0828

Sept 27, 1960

"1. FBI has advised of approach made to Frank Fiorini, for procurement of two MIG aircraft which would be brought to states by one Czech and one Cuban pilot. Approach made by Norman Rothman who is now indicted for gun running and stolen bonds currently out on \$50,000. bond." 2. "FBI contact felt Rothman interest was straight profit motive or hope for favorable treatment re above rap. Contact stated no chance whatever latter and that had advised Fiorini that FBI could not handle such a deal but would pass to other

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8. "As of December 1960, Rothman was living in Dallas, Tex.

memo taken from handwritten notes.

12-memo for Deputy chief-WH Division from [Clark W. ~~Simmons~~ ³] re meeting with Norman Rothman & David M. McConnell dated June 30, 1961

met @ Rothman and McConnell on 29 June 1961 in office of Deputy Atty Gen'l to evaluate Rothman's claim to operational assets inside Cuba and elsewhere in the Caribbean area. 4-6:30 P.M. Agreed that R would return to Miami on Friday 30 June, and Mr. McConnell would phone [Simmons] ⁽³⁾ on July 5 for evaluation of Rothman's operational potential in Cuban affairs.

McConnell spoke to [Simmons] ⁽³⁾ privately. McConnell described himself as a "leading political figure in the Democratic Party machine in N. Carolina," that he was "acquainted @ Rob. Kennedy, Gen. Taylor, Gen. Van Fleet," corporate tax lawyer's concerned over embarrassment to the Kennedy administration caused by the Cuban "fiasco." McConnell stated that Rothman claims to have assets and capabilities which would enable Rothman to destroy the arms dumps on the plantation of ex-pres. Cardenas of Mexico, to set up operational bases in the Yucatan at a cost of \$50-\$1,000, to sabotage targets in Cuba identified by the U.S. govt, and to provide positive intelligence on the activities of Chinese Communist groups in the Western Hemisphere."

Rothman stated @ Castro had executed 3 of his close friends: Rogelio Gonzalez; Soriano Marin; Efigenio Fernandez.

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